

Recycling Tips

- Recycling conserves natural resources, saves energy, saves landfill space and provides jobs for people. Each year Mississippians throw away enough garbage to cover 600 football fields 6 feet deep in compacted garbage.
- Newspapers, which are recycled into more newspapers, egg cartons, cereal boxes and insulation material, should be clean and dry, placed in bundles or bags and taken to a recycling facility.
- Aluminum and steel cans, which are recycled into more cans and other metal products, should be rinsed and flattened. Paper labels on steel cans can remain.
- Plastic soda bottles and milk jugs should be rinsed, flattened and caps thrown away. Plastic soda bottles are recycled into carpet fiber, fiber for clothing and more bottles. Plastic milk jugs are recycled into plastic lumber, automotive parts, irrigation pipe and much more.
- White paper for recycling should be stored in plastic bags or plastic carts with lids in order to be kept dry. White paper is recycled into more copier and office/school paper.
- Recycle six-pack rings, used motor oil, scrap tires, nickel-cadmium rechargeable batteries, lead acid batteries, cardboard boxes, and other materials. Call 601/961-5171 for more recycling information and/or Earth's 911 website at www:1800cleanup.org.

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